



TRAVELLING TO NEW PLACES WITH CONFIDENCE

Royal Rajasthan: Pushkar Fair, Nov 19, 2020 – Dec 2, 2020, Nov 7, 2021 – Nov 20, 2021

14-Day, 13-Night Journey

Delhi, Agra, Jaipur, Pushkar, Jodhpur, Deogarh & Udaipur

This 2-week tour is a once of lifetime golden experience for all! Enjoy two days at the Pushkar Camel Fair to experience the vibrant spectacle that brings alive the rich tradition of Rajasthan enhancing the glory of its golden sands. Take part in a Camel Safari followed by bliss on the stunning lakes.

Explore the history of Rajasthan and admire the beautiful features of its ancient royal era. The palaces in India's Golden Triangle once housed some of the world's wealthiest of families with lavish lifestyles many can only dream of. Be awed by the magnificent hilltop Mehrangarh Fort and Amber Fort overlooking the cities below. Visit the amazing royal mausoleums of Taj Mahal and Humayan's tomb.

♦ Customizable Private Tour

Trip Overview (*UNESCO World Heritage Sites)

- ▶ Delhi City Tour
- ▶ **Humayun's Tomb***
- ▶ **Qutab Minar***
- ▶ Jama Masjid Mosque
- ▶ Cycle Rickshaw at Chandni Chowk Bazaar
- ▶ Namaste Dinner
- ▶ **Agra Fort***
- ▶ Itimad-ud-Daulah Tomb
- ▶ **Taj Mahal***
- ▶ Mehtab Bagh (Moonlight Garden)

- ▶ **Fatehpur Sikri*** (Palace of Mirrors)
- ▶ **Keoladeo Ghana National Park***
- ▶ **Jantar Mantar***
- ▶ Fabric Block Printing Demo
- ▶ Jaipur City Tour
- ▶ **The Walled City of Jaipur***
- ▶ **Amber Fort***
- ▶ Sheesh Mahal
- ▶ Jaipur City Palace
- ▶ Kheri Gate Step Well
- ▶ Rajasthani Cultural Village, Chokhi Dhani
- ▶ Pushkar City Tour
- ▶ Pushkar Lake
- ▶ Gau Ghat
- ▶ Camel Safari
- ▶ Pushkar Camel Fair
- ▶ **Mehrangarh Fort***
- ▶ Jodhpur City Tour
- ▶ Bishnoi Village Safari
- ▶ Deogarh Mahal
- ▶ Ranakpur Temple
- ▶ Deogarh Village Life
- ▶ Lake Pichola Cruise
- ▶ Udaipur City Tour
- ▶ Udaipur City Palace

Why You'll Love This Tour



GLIMPSE INTO THE MAJESTIC PAST

The many past rulers have left behind numerous amazing forts, beautiful palaces, and fine architecture. Many are now UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Each historical monument possesses great history and its own unique identity.



ULTIMATE CAMEL COUNTRY FAIR

Colorful and exciting adventures starting with exploring the Thar Desert on a Camel, watch camel trading, camel cart races and many cultural performances. Setting back the clock to see how trading was done through the old barter system days.



CRUISE ON THE ROMANTIC LAKE PICHOLA

Sail on the tranquil lake and admire the sumptuous pink-hued palaces and lakefront hotels overlooking the water. Pass by royal palaces on the islands surrounded by gardens, fountains and pillared terraces. No wonder, Udaipur is India's most romantic city.

Inclusions

- Airport Transfers, Meet and Greet
- Hotel Accommodations
- Daily Breakfast & Selected Meals
(See tour plan for details)
- English-speaking Local Guide
- Entrance Fees to Monuments and Attractions per Itinerary

Exclusions

- Air Fare
- Travel Insurance
- Medical Expenses
- Visa Fee
- Gratuity
- Personal Expenses

Nearby Airport

Delhi - Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL)

Itinerary

(B)-Breakfast, (L)-Lunch, (D)-Dinner

DAY 1: MEET UP AT DELHI (DEL)

Upon arriving at **Delhi airport**, you'll be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free.

DAY 2: DELHI | OLD AND NEW CAPITAL CITY (B, D)

Delhi is the capital of modern India. It has also been the capital of at least seven previous civilizations as well as the British Raj, and each have left behind a trail of monuments.

Tour **Humayun's Tomb**, one of the best-preserved Mughal monuments and best example of Mughal architecture in India. We then visit **Qutab Minar** - the world's tallest brick tower, and **Jama Masjid** - India's oldest and largest mosque. As we travel through both Old Delhi and New Delhi, don't forget to add photographs of **Rashtrapati Bhavan (President House)**, **Parliament House** and **India Gate** to your album. Experience a busy & bustling local bazaar on a **cycle rickshaw through Chandni Chowk**. Followed by our group **Namaste dinner**.



DAY 3: DELHI – AGRA | THE LEGENDARY TAJ MAHAL (B)

Departing Delhi, we make our way to **Agra**, the erstwhile capital of the Mughal Empire. Our first stop here is the impressive **Agra Fort**, which boasts some of India's finest Mughal buildings behind its fortified walls. This is our chance to size down (not up) the **Itimad-ud-Daulah tomb**, a Mughal era mausoleum often described as a "jewel box" or the "Baby Taj". This tomb has often been regarded as the inspiration for the Taj Mahal.

Later we visit the legendary **Taj Mahal**. Built by Emperor Shah Jahan in loving memory of his beloved wife Mumtaz, who tragically died in childbirth. Another must-see, we will view the Taj Mahal from the lesser known, and less crowded, **Mehtab Bagh (Moonlight Garden)** just across the river. Experience a breathtaking photo-op with a fully symmetrical view of the Taj Mahal!

DAY 4: AGRA - JAIPUR | LIFE IN THE DESERT (B)

En route to Jaipur we visit the well-preserved former Mughal city of **Fatehpur Sikri**, which has been deserted for over four centuries. We will have a quick photo-op stop at the bird sanctuary of **Keoladeo Ghana National Park**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Visit **Jantar Mantar** which is an ancient open-air astronomical observatory and UNESCO world heritage site. Photo op at **Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds)**, its high screen wall allowed the women of the royal household to observe street life without being seen. Later we watch a demonstration of **fabric dyeing and block printing** at a cotton weaving factory.

DAY 5: JAIPUR | TOUR OF THE PINK CITY, STEP WELL, CHOKI DHANI (B, D)

Visit the stunning 16th century **Amber Fort** - a sprawling Rajput construction, perched on a hillside overlooking the dusty plains, regal palaces, sleepy villages, and stone carved temples below. Reaching its summit on a jeep (or request an elephant ride during reservation), we enjoy a tour of the fort's well-preserved interior grounds including **Sheesh Mahal** (Palace of Mirrors) with its interior embellished of reflective glass tiles.

Visit **Jaipur's City Palace**, a vast palace complex occupying nearly one-seventh of the Pink City with a series of temples, pavilions, gardens and palaces. Enjoy the sight of **Jal Mahal** (Water Palace), a palace located in the middle of the Man Sagar Lake. If we have time, we'll marvel at a **16th century step well** near Kheri Gate. The step well serves as the community well, gathering place and swimming hole. We spend the evening at a **Rajasthani cultural village, Chokhi Dhani**, with traditional performances of dancers & acrobats, snack stalls, paintings, costumes and tasty Rajasthani thali cuisine.

DAY 6: JAIPUR - PUSHKAR | PUSHKAR LAKE, GAU GHAT, CAMEL SAFARI, PUSHKAR CAMEL FAIR (B, L, D)

Our sightseeing today includes **Pushkar Lake** and **Gau Ghat**. Explore the golden sands of the vast Thar Desert in Rajasthan on your **camel safari**, a once in a lifetime adventure! The Aravalli Range has sandy fields, small dunes and beautiful hills with mesmerizing sunrises and sunsets. After checking in your luxury tent, start exploring the **Pushkar Fair** Ground for camels, horses and cattle. Enjoy a crafts bazaar, evening campfire and cultural performances.

DAY 7: PUSHKAR | PUSHKAR CAMEL FAIR (B, L, D)

Today, explore the fair on your own. Enjoy the inclusive activities from camel cart ride, camel race, kite flying, puja ceremony, music and dance performances.

DAY 8: PUSHKAR - JODHPUR | BLUE CITY (B)

After breakfast, depart for **Jodhpur**. The rest of the day is free.

Being on the edge of the Thar Desert, **Jodhpur** is called the Gateway to Thar and is also known as the Blue City with many houses in the old city in shades of blue.

DAY 9: JODHPUR | MEHRANGARH FORT, BISHNOI (B)

Today we see the **Mehrangarh Fort**, which was described by Rudyard Kipling as "the creation of angels, fairies and giants." Explore the old city on tuk-tuks as you pass by local artists, puppet makers and traditional spice markets. Then savor rustic Rajasthani life on a **village safari to Bishnoi**.

DAY 10: JODHPUR – DEOGARH | DEOGARH MAHAL, RANAKPUR TEMPLE (B)

Begin with a drive to the charming village of **Deogarh**. See the **Deogarh Mahal** which perches on top of the Aravalli Hills. This romantic fortified palace impresses with its marvelous central courtyard and its array of battlements, domes, turrets, overhanging enclosed balcony. Next is a visit to **Ranakpur Temple**, a famous 15th century Jain temple on the western side of the Aravalli Range. This marble temple has a 48,000 sq ft basement and more than 1,400 exquisitely carved pillars.

DAY 11: DEOGARH | VILLAGE TOUR (B)

Explore the intricate mosaic of rural and **Royal Deogarh** in her colorful villages and understand the ancient bond of the feudal lords with their subjects.

DAY 12: DEOGARH – UDAIPUR | LAKE PICHOLA (B)

Drive to Lake City of **Udaipur** which is an oasis in the desert of Rajasthan. Udaipur has one of most romantic settings in Rajasthan snuggling the tranquil **Lake Pichola** and the purple ridges of the Aravalli Range. Fantastical palaces, temples, traditional mansions and colorful, bustling bazaars dot the city and timeless streets. **Cruise on Lake Pichola** if weather permits.

DAY 13: UDAIPUR | CITY TOUR (B)

We take a city tour of this walled city renowned for its palaces. We start with the 16th century granite and marble **Udaipur City Palace**. This is the largest royal complex in Rajasthan and is made up of eleven different mahals (palaces). Part of the palace is now a museum.

DAY 14: UDAIPUR – DELHI OR MUMBAI (B)

After breakfast the tour comes to an end. Transfer to Udaipur airport and fly to **Delhi (DEL)** or **Mumbai (BOM)** international airport for your flight home.

Hotels

We carefully handpick our hotels to ensure they provide you with the best comfort and experience. For Private Tours, you may request a specific hotel as one of the customizable options.

